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of Ministerial power upon the leases falling in this year? If we are rightly informed, there are some four thousand leases in all, and those which will fall in this year only number about fifteen hundred. The holders of those fifteen hundred leases may congratulate themselves upon the fact that the power of applying the screw is not at present in the hands of Mr. GARRATT.

There could hardly be a greater misrepresentation of the case than to make it appear that the machinery provided by the new land law would enable any Minister or Ministry to manipulate the leases falling in at any particular time as to raise the sum that might be required to meet an estimated deficiency. The thing could only be done, if done at all, by a gross perversion of the law, and oversteering of Ministerial authority. It is true that Ministers are not absolutely bound by the appraisements in all cases, but it is equally true that the machinery of the Act cannot be superseded by a mere exercise of Ministerial power upon all the leases falling in at any given time, as was suggested by Mr. GARRATT. The sixteenth section of the last Land Act provides that "Whenever it shall become necessary or desirable that any price, rate, value, or sum of money should be fixed or ascertained by appraisal under the hereinbefore recited Acts, or this Act, such appraisal shall be made by one or more appraisers appointed by the Minister charged with such appraisal, anything in the said Acts to the contrary notwithstanding; and every appraisal so made shall, unless altered or varied by such Minister before the receipt of a report and recommendation from three such appraisers, be binding, final, and conclusive." Now, if in any given year fifteen hundred leases fall in and are appraised under the new system, the Minister could only force the total rent to a given point by subjecting every appraisal that was below the standard to revision by three appraisers, and by procuring from them in every case a report and recommendation that the rent should be raised to the amount required. It will hardly be contended that the Minister would be entitled under the Act to fix the rent of a run at £100 if the original appraisal had fixed it at £75, or considered that even £50 was too much. The phraseology of the section is not so explicit as it might have been, but the natural interpretation of it is that the work of appraisal is still to be performed by appraisers, and not by the Minister.

We might possibly have a Minister who would declare that the machinery of appraisal set up by the Act was only dummy machinery, like the show pipes in front of an organ, and that Parliament intended to place the power absolutely in the Minister's hands; but it is not to be doubted whether declarations of that sort would bear examination before a Court of Justice.

The provisions contained in this sixteenth section were not intended to supply the means for meeting a deficiency discovered after the Act had passed. They were intended to establish a better system for procuring a fair rent from the pastoral lessees, whether there might be a deficiency or a surplus. It is a misrepresentation of the facts to treat the case in any other way. At the same time it may be right to point out that the Government will do well to take all such precautions as may be within its power, so that the legitimate purpose of these provisions may not be defeated. Rather less than one-third of the whole number of pastoral leases will fall in this year; but the operation of the new system upon the remaining two-thirds may be affected by the manner in which the first batch is disposed of. If we are to get a fair rental from the many, it is important that we should get a fair rental from the few at the outset; and whilst, on the one hand, it would be reducing the whole theory of appraisal to an absurdity to expect competent appraisers to set aside their own judgment and simply register the dictates of a Minister, it is the duty of the Minister to see that the appraisers are men who may be trusted to exercise their judgment, not as agents or advocates of the lessees, but with a full regard to the just claims and the interests of the public.

We drew attention a short time ago to an article in the *Nineteenth Century*, by Miss LONSDALE, on hospital nursing, in which the medical staff of Guy's Hospital was pretty severely overhauled for its antagonism to the new system of lady nurses. In the following number of this review are three replies by hospital doctors, and in the *Contemporary* is another by a fourth doctor. These articles explain a good deal that Miss LONSDALE left mysterious; but as they state, and in some points overstate, the doctors' case, they give the public a fair opportunity of judging between the combatants.

The writers indicate that Miss LONSDALE does not write from her own personal experience, having been little more than a month in the establishment, and that she had been turned away by a new matron, who had turned everything topsy-turvy. They further allege that the charges against the old nurses, some fifty of whom have been driven out by the new matron, were utterly unfounded, and that the young ladies who have been introduced as their substitutes are not at present so qualified. All these points, however, no matter what may be called matters of accident. The essence of the whole controversy turns upon two points; first, whether nurses understand nursing better than doctors do; and secondly, whether the nursing regulations should be independent of medical control. The second of these questions really turns upon the first. If nurses have nothing to learn from doctors, and everything to teach them, then the nursing staff should be independent of the medical staff, and the doctoring should be subordinate to the nursing whenever the two come in conflict. On this point the doctors clearly have the best of it. Nursing is, as they say, a branch of minor surgery; the practice of nursing is dependent on its theory, and the theory is part of the theory of medicine. To say that a doctor does not know good nursing from bad is simply another way of saying that a doctor does not know good doctoring from bad. But the medical men are not quite so sure of a matter of course that the training of nurses should be considered subordinate to the training of doctors. The hospital exists primarily for the benefit of patients, but it may contribute, also, both to the training of doctors and the training of nurses, and there is no reason why it should not do both harmoniously. The quarrel at Guy's has arisen very largely from the

fact that the new matron starts from the doctrine that the hospital is to be a nursing school, and in pursuance of this idea she runs counter to the established notion in the institution, that it is a great medical school. Where there is a happy adjustment, doctors and nurses both may be trained in the same establishment, but there is considerable force in the position taken by Dr. MOXON, that there is a recognizable difference between a hospital nurse and a private nurse, and that training institutions for private nurses will be best established in connection with small hospitals or infirmaries, where there is no medical school. The reason for this is, that there is a large quantity of work common to the medical student and the skilled nurse, and that it is not expedient to have a fight between the two classes of students as to who shall do it. Thus at Guy's there are 450 students for 600 patients, and it is necessary that the young men should learn by practice under professional guidance how to do everything, but the absolutely menial part of nursing; but it is necessary also that skilled private nurses should learn to do the same thing. The obvious inference is that in a great city where there is an immense variety of institutions, the best routine would be to let nurses first learn everything done under skilled superintendence, and then go where they would have the opportunity of doing it themselves. But in a hospital which is a great medical school, where the slightest chance of anything like practical work is eagerly caught at by zealous students, the function of the regular nurse is necessarily more circumscribed.

A good deal of the discussion is occupied with a protest against the attempt to make hospital nursing a monopoly amongst religious Sisterhoods. Against this the doctors unanimously set their faces as tending to favour civilisation, and to make the profession of a nurse a social and almost religious caste. There seems little doubt that Miss LONSDALE and the matron by whom she has been inspired, have both shown more zeal than discretion, and that their feminine impulsiveness requires restraint, and they have somewhat cruelly aspersed the characters of the old nursing staff, and unduly magnified the merits of those who have replaced them. But though we wish them more wisdom, which we trust will come with experience even though with sorrow, it is impossible not to sympathise with their enthusiasm for elevating the nursing profession, and for providing society with a class of trained private nurses. This object, however, is to be attained, not by running amuck against the medical profession, or assuming airs which there is no intrinsic superiority to justify, but by a cheerful and loyal submission, which is in truth the only royal road to the liberty of competency.

In the debate on Tuesday, one hon. member who defied the finance proposals of the Government pointed out that while housewives and dwellers in towns were heavily taxed already, people in the country who enjoyed the advantages of roads and railways at the public cost were let off scot-free. Some propertyholders in Sydney had informed him that they were then paying to the amount of 30 per cent. of their income. The argument is valid in principle. Although some people in the country have a habit of complaining of the large sums spent by the Government in Sydney, the fact is that while tens of thousands of pounds are spent in Sydney, the country expenditure is to be reckoned by hundreds of thousands. And, this is true as to the gross outlay, without taking into account the fact that, relatively to population, the balance is still more strongly in favour of the country. But the argument is strong that it is a pity to overstate it. Property contributes largely to the cost of its own improvement in Sydney, in the construction and maintenance of public thoroughfares and other works which in the country are provided at the public cost. But a considerable proportion of the taxation (so-called) in Sydney is not taxation at all, but a simple payment for goods sold and delivered. What a man pays to the Corporation under the name of a water rate is no more taxation than what he pays to his butcher for meat supplied; the only difference being that whilst the butcher's charges are such as to yield a profit, the Corporation's charges are not sufficient to prevent loss. If propertyholders in Sydney, who say they have been paying 30 per cent. of their income in local taxation have included the water rate and sewerage rate in their estimates, they should go a little further and tack on their baker's bill. At some future time we may come to the point of establishing a property tax and claims for exemption will then be set up in behalf of dwellers in Sydney and other towns who are already subject to property taxation by the local authorities. But taxation for local purposes is simply a charge in payment for local advantages, and is not a just set-off against the claim for contribution towards defraying the general expenses of government; and local taxation for water-supply would give no more foundation for exemption from the latter than the regular payment of accounts at the draper's or the tailor's.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

According to the cable messages we publish this morning, the Chinese are following up their recent victories against the Russians in Central Asia with some show of earnestness, and are pushing on to the Russian provinces at Kuldah and the eastern portion of which they already occupy. As to the revolution in the Argentine Republic, intelligence has been received to the effect that a second attempt has been made to conciliate the belligerents, and that this time it has proved successful. The expulsion of the Jesuits from France, under a decree of the French Government, is being rapidly enforced. The Conference has concluded its sittings, but its decisions appear not to have yet been made public. Religious disturbances in Palestine have become so serious that British men-of-war have been dispatched to Cyprus, a Syrian report, for the purpose of preventing the Christian population. If the paragraph in the *Times* correctly indicates the willingness of the Opposition in the House of Commons to agree to the introduction of a bill to permit an affirmation to be made by new members who object to taking the prescribed oath, there is reasonable prospect of the difficulty in the way of Mr. Bradlaugh taking his seat being removed, for a day or two ago one of our cable messages stated that Mr. Gladstone's Cabinet had decided to introduce a resolution to secure that result, and at the same time secure to Mr. Bradlaugh his seat.

This time of the Legislative Assembly, last night, was occupied principally in the consideration of the Public-house Licences Suspension Bill, which was read a second time, and passed through committee. In relation to this, there was given to introduce a bill for the further Extension of Country Municipalities, and the bill was introduced and read the first time; the amendments of the Council in the *Cattle Sale Yards Acquisition Bill* were agreed to; and the *Loan Bill* was read a second time, and passed through committee without amendment.

A bill was introduced to the Legislative Assembly, yesterday evening, by Sir Henry Parkes, to amend the Municipalities of the colony other than the Municipal Council of Sydney, a special endowment extending over twelve calendar months. It contains two clauses, the first of which reads as follows:—"It shall be lawful for the Colonial Treasurer to pay out of the Consolidated Revenue to each of the municipalities established under the Act 31 Victoria, No. 12, as a special endowment

for the twelve calendar months ending on the 31st day of December, 1880, a sum of money equal to one-half of the total amount of the rates levied and collected by such municipality for said twelve calendar months." The second clause merely gives the title of the bill. The bill founded on the resolutions in Committee of Ways and Means, imposing export duties on wool, coal, and shale, and a tax upon horses and cattle, was introduced to the Legislative Assembly last evening by the Colonial Treasurer. In another column we publish a synopsis of the measure. We understand that the Government will agree to a limitation of the operation of the tax to one or two years through all its stages in the Legislative Council last night, the standing orders having been suspended to admit of this being done. There was very little discussion on it.

A RETIREE has been presented to Parliament with reference to the sales of land by auction on the 10th June last. It appears that 30,791 acres were offered, of which only 3993 acres were sold, being nearly 13 per cent. of the whole amount offered. This sale was the one referred to in the Legislative Assembly some time ago, being the one at which the up's price was reduced to £1 per acre. None of the land sold on that occasion fetched more than the up's price.

It appears from a return lately presented to Parliament that the amount of fines levied on wardens in all the gaols of the colony during the ten years ended on the 1st January, 1880, amounted to £201 14s. 8d., of which £230 12s. 9d. had reached the Treasury, while the balance is supposed to have come into the hands of the late Deputy-Comptroller, who is now under sentence for embezzlement.

The Hon. Sir Henry Parkes recommended to the Executive Council, on the 15th May last, that the thanks of the Government be conveyed by letter to the members of the Council of Education, recently assembled, and especially to the late President, the Hon. Mr. Parkes, for their disinterested and valuable labours during their tenure of office, as administrators of the Public Schools Act of 1866. This recommendation was approved by the Executive Council, and a letter, of which the following is a copy, went to the members of the Council of Education:—"Executive Council Office, Sydney, 10th May, 1880. Sir, I have the honour to inform you that the services of the Council of Education recently dissolved, and especially of yourself as President of that body during several years, have been brought under the consideration of the Executive Council, and the Executive Council, recently assembled, and especially to the late President, the Hon. 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